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I'm in favor of strong punitive damages against Microsoft as part of the monopoly settlement, partly for this reason:

1. The PFJ fails to require advance notice of technical requirements  
Section III.H.3. of the PFJ requires vendors of competing middleware to meet "reasonable technical requirements" seven months before new releases of Windows, yet it does not require Microsoft to disclose those requirements in advance. This allows Microsoft to bypass all competing middleware simply by changing the requirements shortly before the deadline, and not informing ISVs.

But also because of MS's products have permeated our society so completely. I'm against socialism, but I'm in favor of governmental controls over a company who controls such a large share of the software for doing business in this society

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